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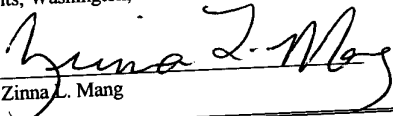
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FOR: METHOD FOR DETECTING PATHOGENIC MICROORGANISM AND ANTIMICROBIAL AGENT, METHOD FOR EVALUATING EFFECT OF ANTIMICROBIAL AGENT, AND ANTIMICROBIAL AGENT

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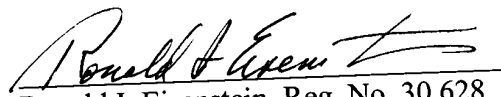
It is respectfully requested that each of the documents shown on the attached form(s) PTO-1449 be made of record in this application. Copies of these documents (CHECK ONE):

- X   are enclosed herewith;
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- Early examination and allowance of the present application are respectfully solicited.

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